Inland Navigation

@1722. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the existing centres and facilities for training personnel engaged in inland navigation;

(b) whether there is a proposal under Government's consideration to set up a Central Training Institute for advanced level training of senior managerial as well as senior supervisory personnel engaged in inland navigation; and

(c) if so, what progress has so far been made in implementing this proposal?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) The facilities for training IWT personnel engaged in Inland Navigation are existing at Guwahati, Calcutta, Chandbali in Orissa and Betim in Goa. These training centres impart training to the crew to obtain Competency Certificates of Masters, Serangs, Drivers and training for Seacunnies, Greasers and Lascars to man inland vessels.

(b) and (c) In view of non-existence of training facilities in various specialised fields of IWT, the need to set up a centralised Training Institute in a suitable location in the country for imparting training to IWT personnel for advance level training of senior managerial as well as senior supervisory personnel engaged in inland navigation has been felt and assistance has been sought from International Labour Organisation for setting up such training centre in the country. The International Labour Organisation appointed a firm of Indian Consultants to undertake a feasibility study on the establishment of a Training Institute for inland water transport. The final Report of the Consultants and the advice of the I.L.O. is awaited.

@Previously Unstarred Question No. 784, transferred from the 22nd November 1985.

Indian Medicines and Pharmaceuticals Corporation Limited

@@@@1723. SHRI M. BASAVARAJU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) when was the Indian Medicines and Pharmaceuticals Corporation Limited incorporated;

(b) what has been its performance since its incorporation;

(c) the details of the scientific and research work conducted by the scientists employed therein;

(d) what is its profitability during 1983-84 and 1984-85;

(e) the number of employees employed therein; and

(f) whether Government are satisfied with its performance?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The Indian Medicines and Pharmaceutical Corporation Limited was incorporated on the 12th July, 1978 under the Companies Act, 1956.

(b) The Commercial production started in June, 1983. Achievements in production and sale during 1983-84 and 1984-85 are as under:

@@Previously unstarred Question No. 199, transferred from the 18th November, 1985.

Year	Production	Sale
1983-84	147 items of Ayurvedic and Unani medicines valued at Rs. 10·38 lakhs.	Medicines worth Rs. 5·81 lakhs.
1984-85	186 items of Ayurvedic and Unani medicines valued at Rs. 21·93 lakhs.	Medicines worth Rs. 13·95 lakhs.

(c) No such scientific and research work has so far been reported.

(d) The Corporation did not earn any profit during 1983-84 and 1984-85.

(e) At present there are 25 regular employees, besides 89 skilled, semi-skilled, casual, daily wage workers.

(f) The performance of the Corporation has not been found satisfactory.

Implementation of the Nanda Committee Report

1724. SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Nanda Committee Report accepted by Government has been fully implemented; and

(b) whether unemployment relief is being extended to those seamen who are not getting jobs for years together?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BASI LAL): (a) and (b) Different stages of implementation of the principal recommendations of the Nanda Committee are given in the statement attached.

Statement

Sl. No.	Recommendation	Action taken
1	No fresh recruitment and training to be resorted to till the trained candidates waiting for placement are fully absorbed.	Pre-sea training has been suspended in all the three rating training establishments.
2	Seamen not responding to two consequtive call notices to be deemed ineffective and to be issued with show cause notice for cancelling their registration.	As per orders of the Director General of Shipping to the Director, Seamen Employment Office Bombay and Calcutta, the first call notice itself will be in the form of a show cause notice and if the seaman does not respond, he has to give statisfactory and sufficient explanation to the Director, S.E.O. within 30 days. In that case he will be sent another call notice which will be final and if he still remains absent for any reason whatsoever, his registration would stand cancelled.